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During Coffee County BOE meeting

Superintendent provides COVID-19 update

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education met Thursday, Sept. 3, for its regular monthly meeting, and Superintendent Kevin Killingsworth provided a COVID-19 update to board members.

Killingsworth said he had been providing weekly updates to the public regarding the virus numbers affecting the schools. He said those updates were being released each Wednesday.

"Since our latest update on Wednesday, Aug. 26, we had five more positive cases in Coffee County Schools," the superintendent said Thursday evening.

Killingsworth said New Brockton High School had two additional cases, according to the Sept. 2nd report. This included one student and one faculty member. He said Zion Chapel had two more cases — one student at the elementary school and one student at the high school.

"Kinston has had their first case, a high school student," Killingsworth said. "This brings our total cases to 12 since the start of school on August 10th."

He added that all students and employees in close proximity to the individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 have been quarantined, according to ADPH guidelines. He said all parents/guardians were notified by school personnel.

"Coffee County Schools continues to try to provide a safe environment for our

students and employees," Killingsworth said. "We still ask students, parents, guardians, and fans to remember social distancing guidelines while attending athletic events on our campuses and venues. We want our students who participate in extra-curricular activities to have the opportunities to continue to compete in their chosen activity."

The superintendent said he cannot say enough about the staff of Coffee County Schools as they have worked diligently to provide the safest environment possible for all.

"Everyone working with the school system deserves

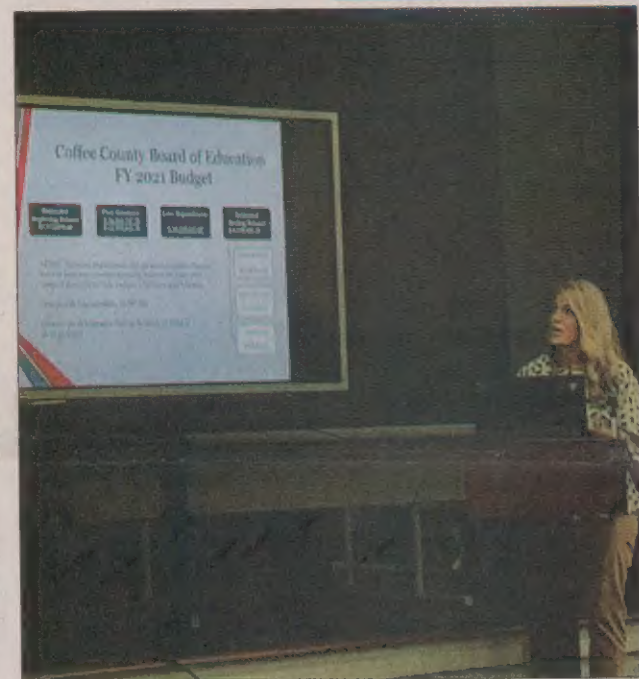
a pat on the back," Killingsworth said. "Every one of our employees has done a phenomenal job this year under extreme circumstances."

He added, "We also ask parents to continue to monitor their children at home, and if a child cannot come to school, please let his/her school know."

The board approved several personnel matters during the meeting. These were recommended by the superintendent and approved by the board.

Betsy Wood was employed on a 12-month contract.

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Coffee County Schools CFO [chief financial officer] Shannon Odom presented the Fiscal Year 2021 budget for the Coffee County School System last Thursday, Sept. 3, during the first of two required hearings. The second hearing will be Thursday, Sept. 10, at 12 noon. The school board is expected to vote to approve after that hearing.



Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley speaks from the central office, overlooking the system's campus, Tuesday morning, Sept. 8, about several ongoing issues Elba is facing due to COVID-19. Overall, the superintendent said the school system is doing a great job in dealing with COVID-19 virus matters as they arise, but he reminds the public there are things still to be done to ensure everyone's safety.

Elba Schools superintendent says he is proud of students and faculty in handling COVID-19 matters

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley said earlier this week that he could not be prouder of the faculty, staff and students of the school system in how they all have handled the COVID-19 situation thus far this school year.

Speaking Tuesday morning, Sept. 8, from the central office on the Elba City Schools campus, Moseley said school is knee-deep into the year now, and overall, things had gone pretty much as expected.

"There have been some bumps in the road along the way so far, but we have been able to work through those things and take care of matters as needed," Moseley said. "I cannot stress enough how great our teachers and administrators have been as they have worked through problems that have arisen."

The superintendent said the traditional students [students taking classes on campus] also have been great

thus far this school year in doing the things asked of them to stay safe in relation to COVID-19. He said he also was hearing great things about the virtual students.

"I have heard some reports where some of our virtual students need to login more often and complete their work more regularly, but this is typical of that type situation," Moseley said.

He said just like any other school and school system, Elba has had to deal with some COVID-19 cases, which also means sending home students and teachers in close contact; however,

he said this has been handled very well so far without any large outbreaks.

"There are times we feel like we are sending healthy students/teachers home due to the close-contact guidelines, but we are trying to follow the guidelines as given to us by the health department and CDC," Moseley said. "It's a preventative thing, and I do think it has helped keep issues down at the schools for us."

The superintendent said a lot of the issues the system has dealt with regarding COVID-19 has seemed for

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Governor says, "It's Now or Never" for participation

Census 2020 comes to a close at end of month

With the last day for Census 2020 participation set for Wednesday, Sept. 30, Governor Kay Ivey is urging all Alabamians who have not completed their forms to do so as quickly as possible.

Alabama's current self-response rate is 62.1 percent — 0.4 percent short of the self-response rate recorded in 2010, or 62.5 percent, according to information provided by the Census Bureau. When added with responses generated to date by Census field workers, a total of 78.5 percent of Alabama households have responded. Governor Ivey — alongside leadership from AlabamaCounts! — is targeting an 80 percent or higher total response rate by September 30.

"I've said it since our March kick-off, and I will say it again: Alabama stands to lose too much if we do not reach our goal of maximum participation," said Governor Ivey. "This isn't just money for our state — it's money for our small communities, for our educational systems, for our roads and for our children. There is simply too much community funding at stake here to disregard this final call."

Governor Ivey's office — alongside the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) and AlabamaCounts! — has worked since March to ensure participation numbers statewide meet the mark. Recently, these efforts in-

cluded the September 2 launch of the Alabama Census Bowl, in which low-responding counties have the chance to win \$65,000 for their schools through Census participation.

"It takes a matter of six minutes to play your part in determining the future of our state by completing the census," said Governor Ivey. "These integral six minutes will determine what our communities will look like, what our children's education will be, and even what our healthcare can provide throughout the next decade."

Alabamians can fill out the 10-question Census online at my2020Census.gov, by phone at 1-844-330-2020 or by traditional paper form. Socially distanced

door-to-door Census takers are also targeting households statewide that have been identified as current non-participants. Any information given in the 2020 Census is protected by strict federal law.

"Folks, it's now or never, and this is the time to act and to ensure Alabama has the future we hope to plan for," added Governor Ivey. "These last few weeks of Census 2020 are vital to our future as our federal representation, our economic development opportunities and our communities — and their citizens — will be impacted negatively unless we have a proper count."

For more information, please visit alabama2020census.com.

AREA HAPPENINGS

THE COFFEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION WILL HOLD THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING to present the system-wide budget for Fiscal Year 2021 at 12 noon on Thursday, Sept. 10, at the Board of Education Administrative Office. Parents, teachers and interested citizens may attend these budget hearings. Budget forms will be available at the Coffee County Board of Education Superintendent's Office prior to the hearings.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SEASON CONTINUES this Friday, Sept. 11, with the Elba Tigers hosting the Zion Chapel Rebels, the Kinston Bulldogs traveling to Red Level, the New Brockton Gamecocks hosting Daleville, and the Brantley Bulldogs hosting McKenzie. Kickoff is 7 p.m. for these games.

THE ELBA WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD WILL HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING on Monday, Sept. 14, immediately after the regularly scheduled Elba City Council meeting that begins at 5:30 p.m.

Elba City Schools to hold budget hearings

The Elba City Board of Education will conduct its annual budget hearings for the Elba City School System on Tuesday, Sept. 15th.

The first Fiscal Year 2021 budget hearing will be at 12 noon Tuesday, Sept. 15, from inside the Elba High School auditorium. The second required hearing will be Tuesday evening at 5:30 p.m. during the board's regular monthly meeting. This will be held at the Elba High School Commons Area.

The budget hearings are open to the public.

Elba receives bicentennial project plaque during ceremony

The Elba Chamber of Commerce's Alabama Bicentennial Commission, received a special plaque commemorating its outstanding contribution to Alabama's recent bicentennial celebration.

More than 200 local community committees and dozens of organizations throughout the state participated in Alabama's bicentennial commemoration. From those, the Alabama Bicentennial Commission selected 21 projects to receive legacy awards. All selected made a significant and lasting contribution to the state's commemoration.

"Alabama people, communities and organizations showed their creativity and resourcefulness throughout the commemoration, but nowhere more than in the programs and projects they brought to life," notes Alabama Bicentennial Commission executive director Jay Lamar. "They helped ensure the bicentennial engaged all ages and interests. The bronze plaques are permanent testimonies to their contributions."

A program was held Tuesday, Sept. 1, at the Evergreen Cemetery Summer



Pictured with Elba's Alabama Bicentennial Legacy Project bronze plaque at the Evergreen Cemetery Summer House are Nell Gilmer and Sandy Bynum.

House to present the plaque to the city. Elba's Mayor, Mickey Murdock, gave the invocation; a welcome was given by Sandy Bynum, Director, Elba Chamber of Commerce, and co-chairperson of Elba's AL200 Bicentennial Committee; Jacques Hawkins, Vice Regent of John Coffee Daughters of the American Revolution spoke on the mission of the DAR to pro-

mote historic preservation, education and patriotism; Nell Gilmer, Regent of John Coffee DAR Chapter and Chairman of Elba's AL200 Bicentennial Committee, gave a history of the 103 year old summer house; and the marker was unveiled by Patti Culver, Beverly McCall and Peggy Stroud members of the Evergreen Cemetery Board of Directors.

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"A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new". - Albert Einstein

A scary side effect of COVID-19 is a tendency to have an inflamed heart muscle. This can lead to death if not treated and is especially dangerous for athletics (read this again and slowly football fans).

Labor Day has passed for 2020 and the question now is "How much COVID-19 increase will America see following the holiday festivities?" There were definite spikes in new cases following the Memorial Day weekend and 4th of July celebrations. Hopefully more people have realized the dangers inherent with the added 'mixing and mingling'.

Washington DC insiders are sounding the alarm that the feds are likely to NOT pass another coronavirus relief bill between now and election time. And, yes, it is largely political issues holding up an additional massive spending bill. The Democrats have their Christmas list and the Republicans (read that as Trump) have an additional Christmas list. We say Trump because the Democrat lawmakers are not negotiating with Republican lawmakers, but directly with the White House. Trump aides are pushing things the president has openly advocated for and opposing some things the Democrats want. The reverse is true coming from the Democrat lawmakers. Our position on all this government give-away stuff (that is just printed money, not real stuff like you must have when going to the store) is borrowed money and that the grandchildren and great-grandchildren will be paying a huge price for our various handout portions of these stimulus bills. None of us can deny that the extra dollars in the bank account have a 'feel good' effect but probably most of us would have survived without it.

We are also skeptical of this deal of not paying social security for three months. Right now that in itself just a loan to the worker who gets the extra 6.2% in the paycheck. Come January, that money will have to be paid back. Thus if you are struggling to get by today and that extra few dollars was some relief, you will really be hurting in January. That is doubly true if you got a 'break' and your landlord couldn't kick you out for not paying your rent during the last several months. Now that short term relief is over and you owe this month's rent plus all that back rent! Now that isn't a whole lot of help in our simple mind.

The City of Elba is doing a good job of spraying for mosquitoes this summer. However, a few are escaping the spray machine. A couple of weeks ago one got into our house. Yours truly had just sat down on the sofa with a hot cup of coffee and a good book. Right there on our thumb an old mosquito lit. It was the hand holding the coffee- smoking and full to the brim! Now, we wanted to kill the rascal but also didn't want to spill that delicious, but hot, coffee all over our leg and the sofa. He got away - for a while. In a few minutes he lit again in just about the same place ready for another blood sucking feast, except this time the coffee was on the little table beside our throne and he got swatted, not realizing that the pages of that book would not spill! The rest of our evening went very well thank you!

EDITORIAL

PUBLIC NOTICE:

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS ANNUAL TRIPLE LAYER SURFACE TREATMENT COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

Sealed bids will be received by the Coffee County Commission at the Office Complex in New Brockton, Alabama, until 9:00 A.M., September 16, 2020, and at that time publicly open for constructing the following:

Annual bid for supplying and placement of Triple Layer Surface Treatments in quantities as requested by the Coffee County Highway Department.

The contract period shall be for 12 months with an option to issue a second and third 12 month contract under the same pricing, terms and conditions.

A certified check or bid bond payable to the Coffee County Commission for an amount of 5% of bid (maximum - \$10,000) must accompany each bid as evidence of good faith.

Specifications and Proposals may be obtained at the Coffee County Engineer's Office, 1165 East McKinnon Street, New Brockton, Alabama from 6:30 A.M. until 5:00 P.M., Monday through Thursday (telephone 334-894-6112). No proposal fee is required.

The bidder's proposal must be submitted on the complete original proposal furnished him by the Coffee County Commission. Bids will be received only from contractors duly licensed by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors.

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

Dean Smith, Chairman
Coffee County Commission

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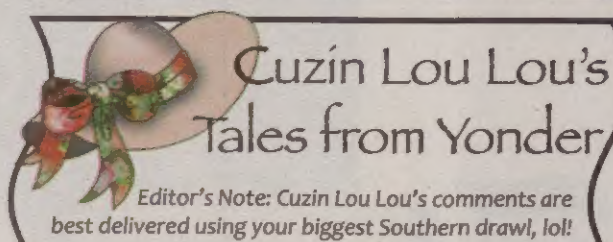
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Cuzin Lou Lou's Tales from Yonder

Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's comments are best delivered using your biggest Southern drawl, lol!

Last Saturday, Cuzin Lou Lou literally contemplated running away before Sister could get ahold of her for this one! It's a doozy!

The thought even crossed Lou Lou's mind that if there can be such a thing as a witness protection program, surely there can be a sister protection program as well. And, if ever Lou Lou had needed protection, it was last Saturday afternoon!

Lou Lou was minding her own business when "boom" everything changed! That boom turned out to be Lou Lou backing into the side of Sister's vehicle as it was parked in the yard. Lou Lou forgot that Sister was parked on the grass rather than being in her normal parking spot in the garage.

Yep...she put her car in reverse, slowly started backing straight out of the garage as she has done so many, many times before, and BOOM!

"What in the name of Yonder," Lou Lou thought as her car came to stop just as that boom scared the daylight out of her!

She looked up and "Glory!" There sat Sister's car directly behind Lou Lou.

Next thought... "Okay, I was barely moving, so, it can't be that bad, right?" Wrong!!

Lou Lou put her car back into drive and move forward. "Glory! Protect me Lord!"

The passenger door on the driver's side had a big 'ole dent in it!

"Dear Lord, if ever you could place a shield of protection upon me, now is the time! She's a mean one when she's mad, and I can't

run as quickly as I once could. Provide her with understanding and compassion. Lord. Amen."

The long trek back inside the house began, but not before Lou Lou pondered how far she could get before Sister discovered the mangled door. Sister wasn't napping when Lou Lou walked outside so the odds were not in her favor to get far.

Time to face her fear! She went inside and informed Sister she had messed up and ran collided into her car.

"It's bad," she admitted to Sister. "I am so very sorry. I will have it fixed."

Sister moved quicker than Lou Lou had seen in quite some time as she headed outside to inspect. Lou Lou was ready for yelling, or crying, but not that gasp! Sister walked out and gasped without even thinking about it - that made it ten times worse on Lou Lou.

But, then Sister did something Lou Lou never expected. She told her it was okay and that the car could be fixed.

If you are not a believer in prayer, well you might better think twice about that one! Because the Good Lord saved Cuzin Lou Lou last Saturday afternoon so that she could live to tell her tales.

Only the Lord has the power to give Sister that amount of compassion and forgiveness!

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling! Oh, and check that rear view mirror really well before backing up...Lou Lou wishes she had done a better job of that one last weekend!!

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the most part to be coming from things happening outside of the schools rather than in the schools. With that in mind, he said he cannot encourage the public enough to do the things they can at home to protect themselves and their families to help keep the spread of the virus down in Elba.

"Like I've said before, I'm not a mask guy, but when I go into those schools my mask is on. When I go to our sporting events, my mask is on," Moseley said. "We all have to do our part. We must continue to work together as a community to do the necessary things so we can continue to have all our activities."

Looking ahead to Friday night's football game set to be held at Tiger Stadium, Moseley said there are some things the system is looking at enforcing more carefully to help ensure proper social distancing and safety.

He said the reserved section for fan seating will be monitored more closely Friday night, and only those who have purchased their

reserved seat tickets will be allowed to sit in that section. He said this is necessary to help ensure that those fans can social distance throughout the section, if needed.

"No one without a reserved seat ticket will be allowed in that section," Moseley said. "If you purchase a general admission ticket, you will need to sit in one of our general admission sections. We have plenty of general admission seating available."

Also, the superintendent said there was an issue during the first home game of the season where some fans walked into the reserved parking area and watched the ball game from there rather than purchasing a ticket and entering the gates. He said this would no longer be allowed.

"You are hurting our student athletes when you do not purchase tickets, but still try and watch the event from non-designated areas," Moseley said. "If you do not feel comfortable entering the stadium due to the

COVID-19 pandemic, Elba is a part of the NFHS Network and you can subscribe to that to be able to watch both football and volleyball online from the comfort of your own home."

www.nfhsnetwork.com for more information on this program. It is only \$10.99 per month to subscribe.

Moseley did brag on the job fans did in keeping children from moving around during the first home game of the season. He said everyone did a great job of staying seated for the game, and that helped greatly with the overall social distancing situation. He asked that everyone continue that practice again this Friday night.

"We feel good about where we are so far in this thing," Moseley said regarding COVID-19. "We just ask that our community continue to practice all the safety measures handed down in the guidelines. Our success depends on us all working together."

Friday night's football game will be senior night. Seniors will be recognized prior to the game.

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tract to be the Child Nutrition Program Director.

Three leave requests for teachers were approved. Those approved for leave included: Crystal Benson, teacher at New Brockton Elementary [Aug. 3 – Sept. 1]; Ashleigh Reeves, teacher at New Brockton Elementary [approximately Aug. 27 – approximately Nov. 13]; and Leanne Matherly, teacher at New Brockton Elementary [approximately Oct. 5 – approximately Jan. 4].

Also during the meeting, the board approved a request to purchase a school bus with 2020-2021 funds. The cost of the bus is \$91,028.

The board will hold a special meeting Thursday, Sept. 10, at 12 noon. The purpose of this meeting is to hold the second of two required fiscal year budget hearings. The first hearing was held during last week's Sept. 3rd regular meeting.

DONALD WAYNE NAPPER

Mr. Donald Wayne Napper, age 79, of Elba, Ala., died Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2020, at his home.



Graveside services were held Sept. 8, 2020 from Evergreen Cemetery with Rev. Ken Wilson officiating. In lieu of flowers, the Napper family asked that contributions in memory of Don be made to the Elba Senior Citizen Center. Hayes Funeral Home directed the services.

Mr. Napper was preceded in death by his father - Aaron McKinney Napper, mother - Dolly Napper, brother - Junior Napper, and sisters - Lessie Harrison, and Erma Nell Mobley.

Survivors include his great nephew: Charles Harrison, Wetumpka, Ala.; sisters: Mary Spurlock, Cottondale, Fla., Wilene Hutto, Ozark, Ala., and Dorothy Creech, Lake Alfred, Fla.; numerous nieces and nephews; and many great nieces and nephews.

JAMES TERRY DAVIS

Mr. James Terry Davis, age 64, of Elba, Ala., died Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2020, at an Enterprise Hospital.



Funeral services were held Sept. 7, 2020 from the Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Dr. John Granger officiating. Burial services followed in the Goodman Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mr. Davis was preceded in death by his father - James Robert Davis, mother - Eunice Lanell Davis, and brother - Larry Davis.

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Survivors include his wife: Mary Kay Davis; sons: Daniel James (Brandy) Davis, Jody Matthews Davis, all of Elba, and David Robert (Hannah) Davis, Opp, Ala.; granddaughters: Kalie Davis, and grandsons: John Davis, and Tucker Davis, all of Elba; sisters: Fay Lawson, and Cindy Odom, both of Elba; brothers: Jerry Davis, New Brockton, Ala., Gary (Darla) Davis, and Ray (Hilda) Davis, all of Elba.

LINDA GAIL OWENS

Mrs. Linda Gail Owens, age 72, of Andalusia, Ala., died Thursday, Sept. 3, 2020, at her home in Andalusia.

In accordance with her wishes,

disposition will be by cremation with memorial services to be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, those wishing to make memorial contributions, are asked to do so to a charity of choice, Hayes Funeral Home of Elba, Ala., is serving the Owens family.

Survivors include her daughter: Kim Bozeman, granddaughter: Ashley Bozeman, and grandsons: Shelby Bozeman, Austin Bozeman, Hayden Bozeman, along with her great-granddaughter: Nevaeh Marshall, and great-grandson: Sabyn Bozeman, all of Andalusia; and a brother: Scotty Ward, Opp, Ala. Mrs. Owens also was anxiously awaiting the arrival of her third great grandchild, Tatum Jay Bozeman, at the time of her death.

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Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, Aug. 18, and Monday, Aug. 25, 2020, conducted the following activity:

TUESDAY, SEPT. 1 – Suspicious person reported at 331 Putnam St (8:02 a.m.); Unruly juvenile reported at 909 Harper Dr (2:48 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 120 Old Samson Rd (11:33 p.m.). There were three traffic stops on this date with one citation issued, one arrest made, and one verbal warning issued.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 2 – Theft of property reported on Simmons St (9:32 a.m.); Reckless driver reported on Reynolds Ave (9:53 a.m.); Criminal mischief reported on Reese Ave (11:23 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 747 Lee St (3:11 p.m.); Assault reported at 667 Reynolds Ave (3:55 p.m.); Prowler reported on Gordon St (5:04 p.m.); Harassing communications reported at the Dollar General store on the 203 Bypass (6:12 p.m.); Animal complaint reported from 1649 Boswell St (7:00 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at Dorsey Trailers on Hickman Ave (8:10 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at the Riviera Motel on Yelverton Ave (11:21 p.m.); Assault reported at 213 Adkinson Ave (11:51 p.m.). There were four traffic stops reported on this date with all resulting in verbal warnings.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 3 – Suspicious circumstances reported at 644 Reynolds Ave (2:20 a.m.); Animal complaint reported from 765 Claxton Ave (8:28 a.m.); Burglary reported on Taylor Mill Rd (9:10 a.m.); Verbal altercation reported at Regency Apartments on Hickman Ave (1:37 p.m.); Prowler reported in area of Roosevelt Dr (8:05 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 1691 Claxton Ave (10:46 p.m.).

FRIDAY, SEPT. 4 – Smoke/odor reported at 1066 Davis St (5:20 p.m.); Traffic accident reported on Hwy 189 (6:15 p.m.). There were eight traffic stops reported on this date, resulting in two written warnings, five verbal warnings, and one citation issued.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 5 – Burglary reported at Hammond Funeral Home on Virgil Coleman Dr (10:21 a.m.); Traffic accident reported on Hwy 141 (11:52 a.m.); Animal bites reported at 839 Troy Hwy (2:07 p.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 830 Harper Dr (5:42 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported from 2664 County Rd 404 (11:05 p.m.). There was one traffic stop reported on this date, resulting in a written warning issued.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 6 – Animal complaint reported

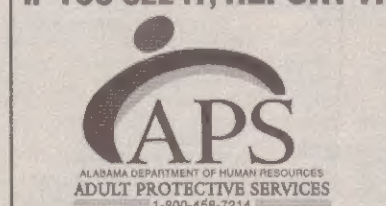
from 318 Smith Ave (7:50 a.m.); Drug activity reported at 1322 Highland Dr (9:45 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Hickman Ave (4:32 p.m.); Theft of property reported on Stou-demire St (4:45 p.m.); Burglary reported at Dollar General on the 203 Bypass (6:47 p.m.); ATV complaint reported at 1883 Hickman Ave (7:53 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 2908 County Rd 404 (10:44 p.m.). There was on traffic stop reported on this date, resulting in a written warning issued.

MONDAY, SEPT. 7 – Reckless driver reported on Martin Luther King Dr (4:59 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at 20043 Hwy 189 – with injuries (1:17 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported on Hwy 203 (2:53 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at Elba Food Giant (5:33 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1220 Davis St E (7:05 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 213 Adkinson Ave (9:29 p.m.).

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Lessening the Burden of Grief by Giving Back

Grief can feel like a massive burden to bear—and all too often, it's a burden we feel like we're bearing alone. One way to ease this burden, and to feel less isolated, is to get involved in community service.

This can be as small-scale or as ambitious as you want it to be. Maybe it's as simple as volunteering to read to kids at an after-school program, or helping sort through donated items at the Salvation Army. Or maybe it's something as grand as helping build a Habitat for Humanity house, or taking on a more full-time volunteer position.

What's important is finding a cause that you'll find meaningful—and ideally, a cause that will allow you to spend some time serving other human beings.

Giving back can help the grieving process in a number of ways. For one, it allows you to do something practical and concrete to make the world just a little bit brighter. That can be a powerful counterbalance to the darkness you may be experiencing inside.

Also, community service helps you to see the needs of other people, and to remember that a lot of people are hurting and struggling in different ways. This isn't meant to diminish your own pain in the least, but rather to put it into context.

Finally, giving back can give you a sense of purpose—a reason to get up and keep going, even amidst bereavement. For many mourners, that sense of drive can be invaluable and therapeutic.

As you think about the best ways to lessen your grief burden, think about methods in which you can give back to the people around you.

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CHURCH NEWS

Reflections

by Michael J. Brooks

His Eye Is On The Sparrow

It's a book much in the news today, and I just plowed through it. I wouldn't call it pleasure reading since it's filled with the intricacies of international diplomacy and the unpronounceable names of prime ministers and kings. The author recounts disagreements with the president he served, including when the administration considered a retaliatory air strike after losing a drone. He wanted it, but the president decided no since there would be "150 body bags" on enemy territory and perhaps many of them innocent civilians. The toll was simply too much, and the plan was scrapped.

I'm certainly no military strategist, but I don't think it's always true we lose strategic advantage by showing respect for life.

My generation remembers the weekly "kill reports" from Vietnam. Nightly news anchors told the number of Americans killed and the number of enemy killed. Psychologists say we became jaded by these reports. The first few times we heard them we were struck with sadness. But human life became cheap.

We've heard chilling words from American cities in turmoil in recent weeks—people so enraged all they can think about is hurting innocent people and destroying their businesses. Human life is cheap.

And a friend involved in ministering to women ensnared in human trafficking stunned me with accounts of children kidnapped and abused, and all of this in the Bible Belt. Women become nothing more than toys for evil men. Human life is cheap.

It's sad to see those who disrespect others through physical or verbal abuse, and those who disrespect themselves through addiction. Human life is cheap.

In contrast, Jesus talked about the value of every person. He said our heavenly father knows every sparrow that falls and knows about us because we're worth more than sparrows. He said God understands the intimate details of our lives, even the number of hairs on our head. And Jesus further pronounced the human soul worth more than anything the world offers. If we lose our soul, we've given our lives to nothing at all worthwhile (Luke 10: 30-31, 39).

A fable tells about jealous rats scheming to destroy a beautiful songbird. They offered to bring the bird worms so he wouldn't have to scavenge them himself.

"And it will only cost you one feather for one worm," they said.

At the end of the day, the bird was so stuffed with worms he couldn't sing, and so short of feathers he couldn't fly away. The evil rats destroyed him.

How sad that people can trade their song for worms, too.

The Creator wants to fill our lives with his love so that we can love and serve others. Anything less is worth very little, indeed.

Reflections is a weekly devotional column written by Michael J. Brooks, pastor of the Siluria Baptist Church in Alabama. The church's website is siluriabaptist.com.

New pastor named for Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church

Reverend Jeremie Turner Sr. has been named pastor of Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Elba, Ala. He comes to Elba from Birmingham, Ala.

Rev. Turner began his ministry at the tender age of 15 in Birmingham. He continued his pastoral work as he furthered his education at Alabama State University and received his B.S. in Ministry/Bible and later his M.S. in Ministry/Bible Leadership from Amridge University's Turner School of Theology. He is currently enrolled at Andersonville Theological Seminary, studying to receive his M. Div.

in Christian Leadership. He has plans to also complete his studies for the D. Min. in Pastoral Leadership.

Turner has served at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church, Birmingham, Hutchinson Missionary Baptist Church, King Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Mt. Elam Missionary Baptist Church and Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church.

Reverend Turner is married to the former Britney Shelburne. They are the parents of five children: Amour, Bryson, Jeremie II, Brianna and Olivia. His family will be joining him in the move to Elba.

Newbia Baptist Church plans "Old Timey Day" retreat Sept. 27th at The Vineyard

All are invited to join Newbia Baptist Church on Sunday, Sept. 27, at the Vineyard Christian Retreat for and "Old Timey Day".

The church will have its morning service in the chapel at 11 a.m. with lunch and fellowship at the pavilion following service. This year's theme is old timey day and most will be dressing the part, i.e. overalls, jeans, long dresses, hats and bonnets, etc. Of course, one does not have to dress for

the occasion to participate. There will be horse shoes, corn hole, fishing, boating, swimming and many other activities during the afternoon's fellowship time. Since lunch is being catered, please RSVP via email [pastorwilljordan@gmail.com] to let the church know how many per family will be attending.

The Vineyard is located at 245 County Road 131, Arlton, AL 36311.

Round and About with Eria's Daughter (334) 897-3611



Scripture: The Great Day of God

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Robyn Patterson, Betty Moore, Beatrice Belcher, Shirley Coleman, Georgia Nelson, All Bereaved Families, Nicole Duncan, Lydia M. Kelley, Mary Sue Dawson

August Birthdays / Anniversaries

Annie Flowers 8/21
Marcus Tillis 8/23
Tyrone Smith 8/24
Rev. Fred/Annie Flowers 8/25 W.A.
Donald/Barbara Smith 8/25 W.A.
Tamequest Jones 8/25
Kenneth Yelverton 8/26
Alan J. Belcher 8/26
Eric Jordan 8/27
Delacy Gray 8/27 (in memory)
Jimmy Hooks 8/27
Lauren Rogers 8/28
Derrick Daniels 8/28

Justice for All

What "Gone With the Wind" so dramatically portrayed about the 1864 burning of Atlanta is what Habakkuk said awaited the Chaldeans. All their possessions would be fuel for the fire (Habakkuk 2:13). This is in fact the future that awaits the entire world, again (2 Peter 3:10). Habakkuk 2: 6-14 reminds us that the Lord will make certain that justice is carried out against evildoers.

"Justice for All" is very easy to say and desire. But putting hands and feet to this desire is quite another matter. Cries for justice echo throughout every society. Acts of violence against individuals or groups are followed by demands that justice be served and those responsible for the violence be punished. Systems that methodically keep people in positions to be mistreated are protested because they perpetuate injustice—some-

times on a massive scale. The whole world longs for justice.

This study from Habakkuk (Habakkuk 2: 6-14) along with the testimony of scripture as a whole, assures us that God will right all wrongs committed by human-beings. Sinners may escape the punishment required by human laws, but they cannot dodge Heaven's law so cleverly.

Question / Answer Section Q/A for the Week of 9/3/20 Multiple Choice

Q: The sinful woman washed Jesus' feet with what? Pick two. (tears), (myrrh), (her hair)
A: Tears, Hair [Luke 7: 38]
Q: Paul stated his intent to make which visit to the church in Corinth? (second), (third), (fourth)
A: Third [2 Corinthians 13: 1]

Prayer

Guide me O thou great Jehovah Pilgrim through this Barren land; I am weak but thou are mighty; hold me with Thy Powerful hand.

Questions for the Week of 9/10/20 True or False

Q: Jesus healed the Centurion's son.
Q: Peter told his congregation to imitate God's joy.
Q: Peter knew that he would die soon.

Today is a good day! Be grateful.
Eria's Daughter, Sue

AA/NA meetings held in Elba

Encourage anyone who needs the meetings to attend. These meetings are held on Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 p.m. at Elba Church of Christ, 715 Troy Road, Elba.

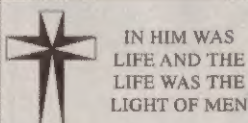
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ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Rockey Pearce, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.
Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH
Rev. Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class . . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH
Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train . . . 5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Tom Senn, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH
Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST
Rev. Remonia Smith
Church Service . . . 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH
Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Diana White, Pastor
Bible Study . . . 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities) . . . 6:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPT. CHURCH
Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH
Dale Morgan, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Disciple Training 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

EANON BAPTIST CHURCH
Mark Ward, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
Phillip Box, Minister
Bible Study . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
David Noble, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night . . . 6:00 p.m.
Thur. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE
Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Dwight Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
Tom Anderson, Interim Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Steve Reneau, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Services . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA BAPT. CHURCH
Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Timothy Williams, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPT CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Phillip Adeock, Pastor
Sunday Morning . . . 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KENSTON
Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
Scott Donaldson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH
Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH
Overseers - Bro Billy Berry
Sat. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Service . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 4:00 p.m.

GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Willie L. Peterson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Shirley Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH
Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting . . . 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Matthew Morris, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service . . . 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH
Ben Posey, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WOOD CHURCH
Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Saturday Service . . . 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service . . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST
Greg Hanchey, Minister
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH
Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
Dewey Emfinger, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPT. CHURCH
Olan Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Kevin Byrd, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

Cathedral of the Holy Spirit
NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL.
Linda Williams, Pastor
Sunday . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. . . 7:30 p.m.

NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTERPRISE
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Morning Worship . . . 9:00 a.m.
Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday Evening . . . 7:00 p.m.
Friday Evening . . . 7:00 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH
Will Jordan, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Disciple Train . . . 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Services 7:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST
Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Terry Godwin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study . . . 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
Randall Pearson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
James Starks Jr., Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Bib Stud Wed . . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH
Lanny Shepard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Lorelei Flowers, Minister
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

OAK GROVE BAPT. CHURCH
Julian Mitchell, Pastor
1st, - 4th Sun. Morn.
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Lee Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON
Terry McCrummen, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship . . . 7:00 p.m.

PRaise & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER
Roy L. Turner, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH
A. R. Williams, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

ROXTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m.

SHADY GROVE AME
James Boots, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Noon Worship . . . 12:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.
Youth Ser. Mon . . . 7:00 p.m.
Wed Bible Class . . . 7:00 p.m.
Fri Missionary Ser . . . 7:00 p.m.

THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH, Elba
Max Reed, Minister
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday Bible Class . . . 7:00 p.m.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH
C.P. Davis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH
Donald Mills, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH
Shayne Allen, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:45 p.m.
Wed. Worship . . . 7:00 p.m.

VICTORY TABERNACLE
Ruby Lawson, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
Ken Wilson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH
Tommy Green, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Kenneth Hagler, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Donnie Marler, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m.

WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Mike Medley, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Cary Maulden, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

ZOAR COMMUNITY CHURCH
John Isaacs, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

LIFESTYLES

Former Elba football player and assistant coach speaks at Elba Quarterback Club 'game day' meeting Friday, Sept. 4th

The Elba Quarterback Club 'game day' lunch meeting Friday, Sept. 4, featured a former Elba player and coach as the guest speaker.

Kevin Killingsworth, current superintendent of schools for the Coffee County School System, spoke at the meeting. He was a 1987 graduate of Elba High School and former football player on teams that made it to two state championship games. Later, Killingsworth would return to his alma mater to serve as a teacher/coach and another time to serve as assistant principal of Elba High School.

"I have a lot of great memories from Elba High School and playing football for Elba," Killingsworth said. "I was fortunate enough to not only play for Coach [Mack] Wood, but I also coached with Coach Wood. He was a great football leader, and he took care of his players."

Killingsworth shared some fun stories from his playing days, including stories about the legendary Mack Wood being very superstitious. He said he followed the same rituals and the team always had the same pre-game meals because Coach Wood was so superstitious.

Event today, Killingsworth said he is a bit superstitious himself, and he said he believes he got that from Coach Wood.

"This is my 30th year in education, and I have seen a lot of things," Killingsworth said. "Football has always been very important in Elba, and it still is today."

He said it has been 15 years now since he has coached, and Killingsworth said he is not sure he could do it today. However, he said not many people can say they coached under three legendary hall of fame coaches, but he can in Mack Wood, David Lowery and Bill Bacon.

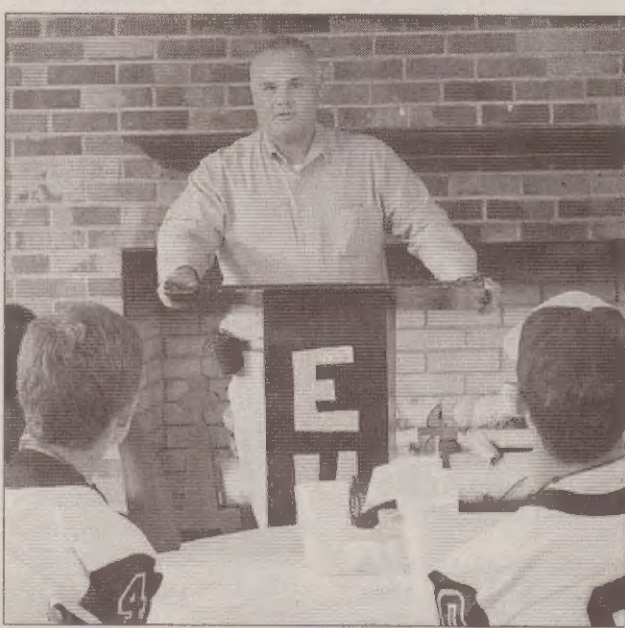
Talking specifically to the Elba players in attendance for Friday meeting, Killingsworth said he never put on an Elba Tigers uniform when he went into the game thinking Elba was going to lose. He encouraged the

players to be that same way...to always suit up with the mindset they were going to win.

As for Elba's new coach Marc Sieving, Killingsworth said he is the kind of guy that will make sure things are done the right way and that he would have a disciplined program. Two things Killingsworth said he wanted for his alma mater's football program.

He also said Sieving would care for his players.

Killingsworth concluded his remarks saying, "I have a lot of great memories of Elba High School, and it has been my honor and privilege to be able to speak here today."



Kevin Killingsworth is shown speaking last Friday, Sept. 4, to the members of the Elba Quarterback Club during the weekly 'game day' lunch meeting.



Elba football coach Marc Sieving (right) recognized four players Friday, Sept. 4, during the Elba Quarterback Club's 'game day' lunch meeting as the Players of the Week for the Tigers from the week prior win over Opp. On offense Peyton McCart (#20) and Byron Burks (#2) were honored while on defense John Martin Wilson (#4) and Jacques Prince (#7) receiving the player of the week nods from the coach staff.



Elba football coach Marc Sieving (left) recognized two players Friday, Aug. 28, during the Elba Quarterback Club's 'game day' lunch meeting as the Players of the Week for the Tigers from the season opener win over Daleville. Chrystle Caldwell (#44) was recognized for his defensive play while Jaden Juarez (#57) was recognized for his offensive play on the line.

Coffee County Republican Club to meet Sept. 14

The Coffee County Republican Club (CCRC) will meet Monday, Sept. 14, at 6 p.m., at Po Folks Restaurant in Enterprise.

The meeting's program begins at 6:30. Guest speaker will be Terry Lathan, the Chairman of the Alabama GOP.

Everyone is invited—no reservations necessary. Social distancing will be practiced, and masks are required. Meal ordering will be from the menu.

For more information, contact CCRC Chairman Ed Foy at 334-494-4663.

Elba Library and Elba Senior Center staffs assist with filling out the 2020 Census

The Elba Public Library is open by appointment only. Items being returned should still be placed in drop box located out in front of the library building.

There is a 30-minute time limit being exercised. Call 334-897-6921 for availability. Temporary library hours are Monday and Tuesday 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.; Wednesday 8 a.m. until 2 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

The Library also assists

citizens Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. with filling out Census reports. It is encouraged that anyone needing assistance in filling out their Census report to visit the library for help.

Also, Elba Senior Center director Donna Falls can assist in completing the Census report. Anyone wanting to seek assistance from Falls can contact her at (334) 897-3019 and set up an appointment. There is no charge to receive this help!

Joe Frank Kilcrease celebrates 95th Birthday



Family and friends will celebrate the 95th birthday of Joe Frank Kilcrease (Pa Pa), on September 11. At the age of 19, he joined the Navy and proudly served his country during WWII. He and his wife, Gracie (Ma Ma), had 62 wonderful years together and have 3 children, Faye Anne Kelley (husband Dale), Ricky Morris Kilcrease, and Roger Joe, died as an infant. They have four grandchildren, Brandon Dale Kelley (wife Michelle), Lindsey Anne Kelley, Devri Diane Kilcrease, Whitley Deanna Kilcrease, and three great-grandchildren, Madeline Olivia Kelley, Preston Dale Kelley, and Anna Grace Kelley. He continues to enjoy walking on his farmland in Pine Level where he was born and raised, reading and working in the yard.

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The Alabama Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers has suspended all in-person fall 2020 college fairs. However, LBWCC is hosting three Virtual College Fairs for students, parents, and counselors.

The dates are:
• Thursday, September 17, from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
• Tuesday, October 20, from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
• Tuesday, November 17,

Elba Mayoral Forum #2 set for Thursday evening, Sept. 24th

The Elba Clipper and Elba Chamber of Commerce again will come together to host a Mayoral Forum between Elba Mayor candidates Tom Maddox and Tim Johnson. This forum is planned for Thursday, Sept. 24, at 6:30 p.m., and will be carried live on Facebook on The Elba Clipper page and the Elba, Alabama Chamber of Commerce page.

The on-site location is yet to be determined [stay tuned for further details on that].

The Elba Municipal Run-off Election between Maddox and Johnson will be held Tuesday, Oct. 6th. Polls will be open that day from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. at the fellowship hall of Elba Church of Christ.

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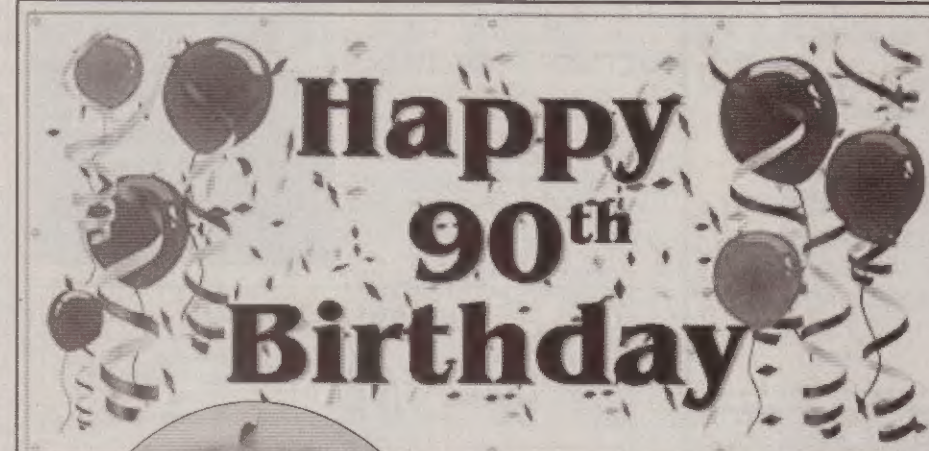


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SECTION 00020 INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Housing Authority of the Town of New Brockton, Alabama will receive bids for the Modernization of Public Housing Sites AL149-1, XIII and AL149-2, X, HUD Modernization Project No. AL09-P149-501-20, until 2:00 p.m., (Central Time) on Thursday, September 17, 2020, at the central office of the Authority, 329 King Street, New Brockton, Alabama 36351, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. The project consists of furnishing all plant, labor, materials, equipment and all services and performing and coordinating all operations for the Modernization of Public Housing Sites AL149-1, XIII and AL149-2, X, HUD Modernization Number AL09-P149-501-20. The Work of the base bid shall include, but is not necessarily limited to HVAC replacement and work incidental thereunto. Attention and reference is directed to the General Notes of the drawings. Contract documents, including drawings and technical specifications, are on file at the office of the Housing Authority of the Town of New Brockton, 329 King Street, New Brockton, Alabama 36351 and The Architectural Office of William J. Peek, 908 S. Hull St., Suite 210, Montgomery, Alabama 36104. Copies of contract documents may be obtained by contacting The Architectural Office of William J. Peek at (334)834-1731. Plans and specifications will be issued only to qualified contractors licensed by the State Licensing Board of General Contractors of Alabama as required by Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975 as amended. Only bids of such contractors who are duly licensed will be considered. Current license number must be displayed on the sealed envelope in which the bid is delivered or the bid WILL NOT be accepted. Bidders are requested to inspect the property and the buildings themselves, as well as operations and conditions that may be affected. A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of the Housing Authority of the Town of New Brockton or a satisfactory bid bond executed by the bidder and an acceptable surety company in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid shall be submitted with each bid. Acceptable Surety Companies are listed in the current issue of the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Circular 570. Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the contract documents must be paid on this project, and that the contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Contractors are reminded that in accordance with State Law, Alabama General Contractor's licensing number shall be displayed on the sealed envelope in which the bid is delivered or the bid will not be accepted. Each bid must include the Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders, 1992 Edition, Non-Collusive Affidavit and the Previous Participation Certificate signed by the bidder and on the correct HUD forms. The Housing Authority of the Town of New Brockton reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the bidding. Bids may be held by the Housing Authority of the Town of New Brockton for

a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of opening of bids for the purpose of reviewing them and investigating the qualifications of the bidders, prior to awarding the contract.

The Housing Authority of the Town of New Brockton
By: Laurie Chapman
Title: Executive Director
8/27& 9/3,10-chg

NOTICE OF FILING OF CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to 2005 Ala. Acts 110, an Act adding Chapter 2A to Title 37 of the Code of Alabama 1975, notice is hereby given that on August 31, 2020, Butler Telephone Company, Inc., ("Butler"), filed a certification with the Alabama Public Service Commission ("Commission") that it meets the requirements of §37-2A-5 for eligibility for regulation under such chapter, by specifying the existence of at least two unaffiliated licensed wireless telecommunications providers licensed by the Federal Communications Commission in a geographic area encompassing more than one-half of Butlers' subscribers and the designation of another unaffiliated eligible telecommunications carrier by the Federal Communications Commission for the purpose of providing universal service to at least one-half of Butlers' subscribers. Pursuant to the provisions of the Act, a subscriber of Butler may challenge the material correctness of the certification by filing with the Commission within 90 days of the date of filing of the certification a pleading in writing setting forth with specificity the reasons the subscriber believes the certification to be materially inaccurate.

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9/3,10 & 17-chg.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO. PC 2020-049

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF RUBY WALKER
Deceased

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Barbara Tillis, Personal Representative on the 25th day of August, 2020 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson
Judge of Probate
9/3,10,17-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO. PC 2020-040

IN THE MATTER OF HUGHIE WILDON BRYAN, JR.
Deceased

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 25th day of August, 2020 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 25th day of August 2020.

/s/ Lisa Bryan Brown
Personal Representative
9/3,10,17-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA Elba Division

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF PEGGY J. BOUTWELL,
Deceased.

Case No: PC-2020-050

NOTICE To: JONATHON BOUTWELL

You are hereby given notice that a petition to probate a certain instrument, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Peggy J. Boutwell, has been filed by Jeffrey Boutwell and Dixie Boutwell. The 15th day of October, 2020, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. has been appointed the day for the hearing of the same at the Coffee County Courthouse, Elba Division, Alabama, at which time you may appear and contest same, if you see proper.

DONE this 1st day of September, 2020.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Hon. Jodee R. Thompson
Probate Judge
Coffee County, Alabama
9/10,17&24-pd.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

ABRIL HERNANDEZ,
PLAINTIFF,

VS.

JONTE LEVONNE GARCIA,
DEFENDANT.

CASE NO: DR-2019-900051

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SPORTS NEWS

Views From
The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our grandson Lawson turns ten-years-old today and it is hard to believe that our little man has already blessed our lives for a decade. It seems like just yesterday that I was watching him being loaded onto a medical helicopter at a hospital in Montgomery for a flight to Children's Hospital for surgery, and I can still remember the many drives back and forth from Elba during which I would pray for the entire three-hour journey. Lawson is my heart, and I give thanks every day!

For what it is worth....

*** *The Elba Tigers ran out of gas* early in the second half after taking a two touchdown lead and were outscored 20-0 down the stretch last week in an important 41-34 region loss to G.W. Long. Elba grabbed an early lead and never trailed until midway through the fourth quarter, but simply didn't seem to have enough energy left to finish off what would have been a huge region road win, and now face a must win scenario in almost every region game left on the schedule. The Tigers went up and down the field on offense all night and rolled up almost 400 yards in total offense in utilizing a balanced attack that kept the G.W. Long defense guessing for all four quarters. The defense was a different story; however, as the Rebels were never even forced to punt, and rolled up almost 400 yards on the ground. The only times the Rebels were stopped were on fumbles, and even then they never slowed down and gashed the Elba defense for runs of ten or more yards on ten of their twenty-seven running plays. Despite the obvious problems, the Tigers still had a chance to win the game late, and that goes back to the mentality of the players that believe they will always win. One win doesn't make a season a success and one loss doesn't make a season a failure, and I expect the Tigers to bounce back and only get better and better in the weeks to come as they chase a playoff berth.

*** *It wasn't the best of weeks* for the teams in the area as only the Brantley Bulldogs were able to hang up a 'W' on the board. Here's a quick look back....

** *Brantley made it look easy* for the second straight week with a big 55-0 region win over Kinston. The Bulldogs were dominant on both sides of the ball for all four quarters and left no doubt they are the team to beat in the region, and maybe the state in the 1A ranks. The big problem for the Bulldogs may be complacency as they put folks away early and then watch from the sidelines.

** *Kinston was simply out-matched* in its 55-0 loss to Brantley. However, the Bulldogs never quit battling and showed that they have a lot of fight and pride and are determined to win a bunch of games. The 'Dogs have played three pretty good teams already this season, including a 2A and a 3A opponent, and if they remember the lessons learned they should pass the tests yet to come.

** *Zion Chapel could have easily throw in the towel* against Abbeville after falling behind early, but the Rebels never backed down and battled until the end in a game in which the Rebel coaches may have found out just who really wants to play, and who wants to be a winner. The Rebels are in a tough region and will be challenged week in and week out. However, I believe they will show up for every fight.

** *New Brockton began its first season* in the 3A ranks with a 43-16 loss to Opp, but showed signs of being a quality 3A team, and will no doubt get much better now that it has finally been able to get on the field. The Gamecocks battled through a two-week quarantine prior to the game and lost countless hours of work, but played hard and gave their fans lots to be proud of.

*** *It was a wild week across the state* with a total of 17 forfeits as the teams all swung into region play. Here is a look back at the week that was....

** *Class 1A* – Top-ranked Brantley blanked Kinston 55-0 and #2 Linden clobbered Keith 44-0, while three teams in the Top 10 lost, including #8 Marengo, which fell 35-0 to Sweet Water. Closer to home, Georgiana spanked Pleasant Home 42-13, McKenzie surprised Red Level 51-19 and Florala slammed Samson 44-0.

** *Class 2A* – Top-ranked Leroy claimed its second straight 1-0 forfeit win and #2 Randolph County defeated LaFayette 28-14, while #8 Elba was the only team in the Top 10 to taste defeat. Closer to home, Luverne bounced back with a 55-8 win over Coosa Central, Arton struggled a little in a 35-20 win over Houston County, and Geneva County pounded Cottonwood 39-12.

** *Class 3A* – Top-ranked Piedmont sacked Saks 35-6 and #2 Fyffe blanked Collinsville 54-0, while #6 Ohathee was only ranked team to lose, as it fell to #3 Walter Wellborn 20-14. Closer to home, Trinity clobbered Goshen 47-

6, Hillcrest thumped Chickasaw 40-19, Houston Academy downed Daleville 45-20, T.R. Miller outscored Cottage Hill 35-13, Slocumb bombed Northside Methodist 63-14 and Wicksburg stunned Providence Christian 28-14.

** *Class 4A* – Top-ranked American Christian walloped Montevallo 63-31 and #2 Bibb County rolled over Dallas County 69-28, while #6 Deshler was the only loser in the Top 10 with a 33-14 loss to West Limestone. Closer to home, Geneva thumped BTW 35-14, Straughn improved to 3-0 with a 26-14 win over Bullock County, and Dale County clubbed Ashford 53-14.

** *Class 5A* – Top-ranked Central Clay edged past Sylacauga 27-22 and #2 St. Paul's defeated Williamson 28-12, while #9 Fairview was the only ranked team to fall as it lost to #6 Guntersville 48-12. Closer to home, Andalusia defeated Rehobeth 38-22, Pike Road flattened Carroll 60-7, Greenville blanked Charles Henderson 21-0 and Headland downed Central Hayneville 27-8.

** *Class 6A* – Top-ranked Mt. Brook blitzed Woodlawn 51-0 and #2 Oxford downed Scottsboro 41-14, while three ranked teams lost, including #4 Eufaula, which lost to Robert E. Lee 25-10. Closer to home, Carver got past Valley 34-22 and Opelika smacked Lanier 42-6.

** *Class 7A* – Top-ranked Thompson blasted Tuscaloosa County 49-7 and #2 Hewitt-Trussville spanked #10 Spain Park 45-13, while two ranked teams lost, including #5 Fairhope, which was downed by Daphne 41-13. Closer to home, Enterprise beat up on Dothan 42-13 and Auburn blanked Prattville 22-0.

*** *Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator* was still sleepy when he dropped by over the weekend and complained about how late he made it back home after the Friday trip to Skipperville. With trips to Cottonwood and Abbeville still on the schedule, I warned him that he will lose even more sleep before the season comes to an end. He wasn't too happy about the upcoming trips, but did promise to keep supporting the Tigers and left this week's picks. The local guesspert hit on ++ of his ++picks last week to move his season totals to ++ and ++, and predicted better days ahead. Here goes....

ELBA VS. ZION CHAPEL

The Pea River felines came home with their tails between their legs last weekend after a trip deep in the woods and this week will have to try and find enough energy to run away from some soldiers from up at Fort Jack that will come to town hunting furs. The felines may not be back at full strength after two tough weeks away from home, but should be able to get a much needed region win.

ELBA 34 ZION CHAPEL 16

In region clash

Tigers brace for Rebel invasion

The Elba Tigers will return home after two weeks on the road Friday night when they host the Zion Chapel Rebels, in a key region game for both teams.

Elba enters the game with a 2-1 record, but is 0-1 in region play, while Zion Chapel will bring an 0-2 record into the clash and is also 0-1 in region action. The Tigers lead the series with the Rebels 10-0 and won the last meeting against their cross-county rivals 62-0 back in 2017.

"We were all disappointed in the loss last week at G.W. Long," stated Elba coach Marc Sieving, "but we played a quality opponent and for the second week in a row had to play four quarters against a really good football team. We are continuing to find out things about ourselves; however, and know what our strengths and weaknesses are. The season is

still young and we just have to keep working hard and try to improve every time we take the field."

"I take the responsibility for the way we played last week," added Sieving. "It is my job as the head coach to make sure my team is ready to play, and it was obvious we were not prepared on offense. We had players that didn't play sound fundamentals on defense and didn't step up and make tackles when they were in position. That comes back to me as the head coach and I promise you it will get corrected in a hurry."

When asked about Zion Chapel, Coach Sieving stated, "They have gotten off to a slow start, but a win over Elba would soothe all their wounds and we know they are going to come here well coached and ready to play. They have some big players up front and a big running back that is prob-

BRANTLEY VS. MCKENZIE

The bulldogs from up above the creek have barely worked up a sweat in two early season wins and this week will be back at home looking to showoff for the home folks. A litter of kitties expected to arrive late in the afternoon have their eyes on an upset, but the guess here is that the bulldogs will enjoy another big win.

BRANTLEY 42 MCKENZIE 0

KINSTON VS. RED LEVEL

The bulldogs from down near the county line will take a hike across the line over to Covington County and will be hoping to even their record after a big loss last week. The hometown kitties won't roll over and play dead, but these bulldogs won't be in a good mood and should bring home a win.

KINSTON 35 RED LEVEL 6

NEW BROCKTON VS. DALEVILLE

The roosters from over near the bypass will be looking to do some crowing late Friday night as they head over to the hole in Enterprise for a fly-in with some birds from over near Camp Rucker. The roosters will be determined to get a win after a crazy start to the season, and should be able to do just that.

NEW BROCKTON 40 DALEVILLE 14

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Region battles continue for
area teams as midseason nears

The high school football seasons enters its fourth week of action on Friday night and for the teams in the area it means another week of region wars.

Following is a preview of this week's games:

Kinston at Red Level

The (1-2) Kinston Bulldogs will be looking to even their region record Friday night when they travel to Red Level to battle the (0-2) Red Level Tigers. Red Level leads the series 13-8, but the Kinston won last season 54-12. The Bulldogs will bring a 1-2 record into the matchup with losses to 3A Houston Academy 16-0 and Brantley 55-0, and a win over 2A Zion Chapel 40-26. The Tigers are winless, with losses to 4A Straughn 19-0 and McKenzie 51-19.

Daleville at New Brockton

The (0-1) New Brockton Gamecocks will kick off their home season Friday night when they host the (0-3) Daleville Warhawks, in a key region matchup. The series is tied at 4-4, with Daleville winning the last contest 40-0 way back in 1991. The Gamecocks will bring an 0-1 record into the clash after losing their season opener last week to Opp 43-16, while the Warhawks are winless, with losses to 2A Elba 50-0, 4A Dale County 42-0 and region foe Houston Academy 45-20.

McKenzie at Brantley

The (2-0) top-ranked Brantley Bulldogs will be looking to remain atop the region standings Friday night when they host the (2-0) McKenzie Tigers. Brantley leads the series 36-17-2 and won last season 47-6. The Bulldogs have been dominant in their opening two wins over 2A Luverne 49-0 and Kinston 55-0, while the Tigers own a forfeit win over Marengo and last week opened region play with a solid 51-19 win over Red Level.

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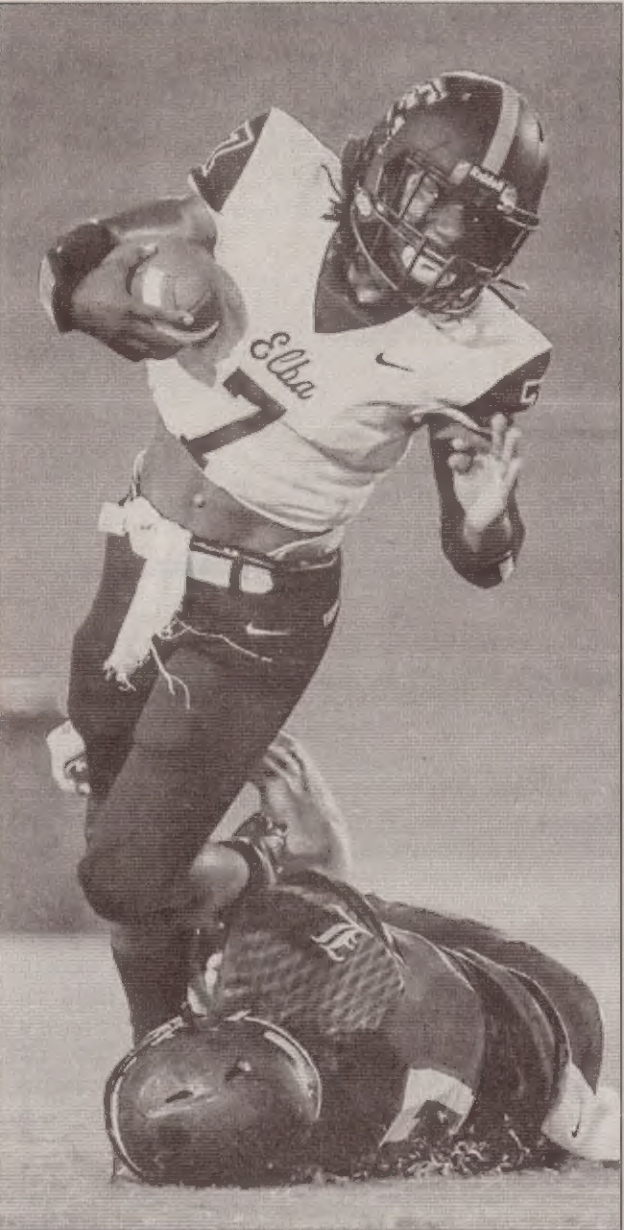
SPORTS NEWS



Elba Tiger John Martin Wilson (4) raises his hands to signal a touchdown after pulling in a touchdown pass in last week's 41-34 region loss to G.W. Long. Martin caught 4 passes for 57 yards and 1 touchdown in the loss. Helping celebrate is Tiger teammate Peyton McCart (20).



Elba Tiger cheerleaders perform during a break in the action at last week's region game at G.W. Long. The cheerleaders will be back on the field this week when the Tigers host the Zion Chapel Rebels in a key region matchup at Tiger Stadium.



Elba Tiger Jaquez Prince (7) tries to pull away from a G.W. Long defender. Prince rushed for 39 yards and one touchdown and passed for 186 yards and two scores in last week's region loss.



Elba Tiger Byron Burks (2) leaves a Rebel defender behind as he heads downfield. Burks returned the game's opening kickoff 41 yards to help set up a Tiger touchdown.

Tigers caged at G.W. Long 41-34

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor
Photos by BC Sports Photography

The Elba Tigers and G.W. Long Rebels tangled Friday night in an offensive shootout and it was the Tigers that ran out of bullets first as the Rebels scored the final twenty points of the game to claim a wild 41-34 region win, at Skipperville.

Elba began its first possession at the Long 39-yardline after a 41-yard kickoff return by Byron Burks, and from there it took the Tigers three plays to find the endzone. Collin Harrison scored the touchdown on a 32-yard gallop around the right end, and Jaquez Prince passed to Chrystyle Caldwell for the two-point conversion to give Elba an 8-0 lead with 10:19 remaining in the first quarter.

G.W. Long had a long touchdown run on its first play from scrimmage wiped out by a penalty flag, but the Rebels regained possession at their own 35-yardline after a defensive stand and this time went 65 yards in five plays to get on the scoreboard. A 40-yard run by Kobie Stringer was a key play in the long scoring drive, and it was Stringer that capped the drive with a 5-yard scoring dash. Tanner Patton kicked the extra point, as Long pulled within 8-7 with 2:38 left in the quarter.

Elba began its ensuing possession at its own 27-yardline and went 73 yards in four plays to get back into the endzone. A 61-yard scamper by Collin Harrison sparked the quick scoring drive, and it was Harrison that scored his second touchdown of the night, this time on a 1-yard blast off tackle. A two-point pass missed its target, but with 46-seconds left in the quarter the Tigers owned a 14-7 lead.

G.W. Long began its next series at its own 35-yardline and needed only two plays to cover the distance to the endzone as on second down Jackson Chancy broke loose and rambled 63 yards for a Rebel score. Patton added the extra point, and with 11:45 remaining in the second quarter the Rebels had pulled even at 14-14.

Elba put the ball in play at its own 20-yardline following the ensuing kickoff and marched 80 yards in eight plays to regain the lead. Jaquez Prince rushed for 19 yards on three carries

and completed three passes for 54 yards to lead the Tigers down the field, and it was Prince that scored the Tiger touchdown on a 6-yard scamper. A two-point try failed to add points, but with 7:09 left in the quarter Elba was back on top 20-14.

The Tigers John Martin Wilson recovered a Rebel fumble on the ensuing kickoff to put the Tigers back in business at the Elba 36-yardline, and two plays later the Tigers were back in the endzone as on a second down play Jaquez Prince and Chrystyle Caldwell hooked up on a 62-yard touchdown toss. Collin Harrison ran in the two-point try, and with 6:00 remaining in the quarter the Tigers lead was up to 28-14.

G.W. Long bounced right back on its ensuing possession and went 55 yards in five plays to cut into the Elba lead. Kobie Stringer rushed for 45 yards on three carries and scored the Rebel touchdown on a 12-yard run, and Patton tacked on the extra point as G.W. Long pulled within 28-21 with 3:02 still left in the half.

Elba's Paxton Wise recovered a Rebel fumble on the first play of the third quarter to set the Tigers up near midfield, and the Tigers went 52 yards in nine plays to extend their lead. A 34-yard pass from Prince to John Martin Wilson on third down and seven kept the drive alive early, while the touchdown came on a 13-yard connection from Prince to Wilson. A two-point run failed to add points, but the Tigers lead was up to 34-21 with 7:29 remaining in the third quarter.

G.W. Long began its ensuing possession at its own 24-yardline, and after a 15-yard penalty against Elba on first down, set sails down the field to again reach the endzone. A 33-yard dash by Kobie Stringer early in the drive was a key play in the 76-yard scoring drive, while the touchdown came on fourth down and eight at the Elba 25-yardline when Stringer dropped off a screen pass to a wide open Hunter Whitehead, who raced untouched into the endzone. Patton's extra point was successful, and with 2:57 left in the third quarter the Rebels were within 34-28.

A short 14-yard Elba punt set the Rebels up near the midfield stripe early in the



Elba Tiger Carson Wise (17) signals first down Tigers after a fumble recovery in last week's region clash with G.W. Long.

fourth quarter, and G.W. Long brought its fans back to their feet as the Rebels went 54 yards in only four plays to take their first lead of the night. Jackson Chancy rushed for 35 yards on two carries and scored the touchdown on a 20-yard dash up the middle, and Patton booted the extra point to put the Rebels on top 35-34 with 7:18 left on the clock.

Elba began its ensuing possession at the G.W. Long 39-yardline after a 60-yard kickoff return by JT Coleman, but the Tigers failed to take advantage of the excellent field position and turned the ball over on downs at the G.W. Long 43.

The Rebels were on a roll after the defensive stand and went 57 yards in four plays to extend their lead. Kobie Stringer scored the Rebel touchdown on a 40-yard run up the middle, and while a bad snap foiled the extra point try, G.W. Long was on top 41-34 with 2:35 left on the clock.

Elba began its final pos-

session at its own 20-yardline, but quickly crossed midfield after a 16-yard pass from Jaquez Prince to Paxton Wise and a 12-yard scramble by Prince. The last-second rally was stopped by a pass interception at the G.W. Long 13-yardline; however, and at the final horn the dejected and tired Tigers left the field on the wrong end of a 41-34 final score.

Collin Harrison rushed for 146 yards and 2 touchdowns on 22 carries to lead the Elba ground game, while Jaquez Prince added 39 yards and 1 td on nine carries and completed 10 of 18 passes for 186 yards and 2 td's. Chrystyle Caldwell had two catches for 107 yards and one td, and John Martin Wilson had four catches for 57 yards and one score.

Kobie Stringer rushed for 189 yards and 3 td's on 13 carries and Jackson Chancy added 106 yards and 2 td's on 9 carries.

The yardstick....

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| 13 | 1 st Downs | 14 |
| 39-200 | Rushes-Yds. | 27-342 |
| 186 | Passing Yds. | 25 |
| 386 | Total Offense | 367 |
| 10-18-1 | Passes | 1-2-0 |
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New Brockton drops region opener to Opp Bobcats 43-16

Statistics by Jerry White
Photos by Greg Brunson

The New Brockton Gamecocks finally got their football season kicked off Friday night on Opp's Randy Griffin Field and after grabbing an early 7-0 lead watched Opp score the game's next 43 points as the home standing Bobcats ran away with a 43-16 region win.

New Brockton began its first offensive series of the night at its own 37-yardline and promptly marched 67 yards in eight plays to get on the scoreboard. A 33-yard pass completion from Kaden Cupp to Damarian Holt set the Gamecocks up at the Bobcat 11-yardline, while the touchdown came on an 8-yard run by Jamarus Brown. Jacob Bustamante kicked the extra point, and with 6:49 left in the first quarter the Gamecocks were on top 7-0.

Opp had a quick answer for the early New Brockton score as the Bobcats took the ensuing kickoff and went 66 yards to pull even. A 28-yard pass from Hal

Smithart to Curt Zorn was a big play early in the long scoring drive, while Peyton Ellis capped the drive with a 4-yard scoring scamper. Jackson Pierce kicked the extra point as the Bobcats pulled even at 7-7 with 3:37 remaining in the opening quarter.

A bad snap on a punt attempt by the Gamecocks put the Bobcats right back in business at the New Brockton 10-yardline, and on the first play of the second quarter Kevin Parreira cashed in the turnover on a 3-yard run. The extra point try failed, but Opp was on top 13-7 with 11:54 left in the quarter.

Another high snap on a Gamecock punt attempt was recovered in the endzone for a Bobcat touchdown as Opp's lead grew to 19-7 with 9:22 left in the quarter, and after a pass interception midway through the quarter, the Bobcats headed back toward the endzone and went 62 yards in seven plays to add to their lead. Smithart tossed an 11-yard touchdown pass to Curt Zorn to put the Bobcats back in the

endzone, and Pierce added the extra point as Opp's lead ballooned to 26-7 with 3:28 still remaining in the quarter.

Opp began its initial possession of the third quarter at its own 17-yardline following a Gamecock punt and covered the 83 yards to the endzone in 11 plays to add to its lead. A 21-yard pass completion from Hal Smithart to Robbie Gafford moved the Bobcats within inches of the goal line, and on the next play Parreira scored on a run out of the wildcat formation. The extra point by Pierce was successful, and with 4:54 left in the third quarter the Bobcats lead was up to 33-7.

Opp's Pierce booted a 30-yard field goal late in the quarter to push the Bobcats lead to 36-7, and the Bobcats scored their final points of the night with 7:07 remaining in the fourth quarter when Robbie Gafford returned a Gamecock punt 35 yards for a touchdown, and Pierce added the extra point, as Opp went on top 43-7.

New Brockton lost a fumble near the Opp endzone on its next possession after marching 70 yards, but did salvage two points on the next snap when the Gamecocks Andrew Cashin tackled an Opp runner in the endzone for a safety.

New Brockton's Colton Marsh returned the ensuing free kick 46 yards to the Opp 13-yardline, and Kaden Cupp scored on a 12-yard run with 17-seconds left on the clock to put the Gamecocks back in the endzone. Bustamante booted the extra point, and when the game ended seconds later it was the Bobcats that celebrated the 43-16 win.

Jamarus Brown gained 68 yards on 16 carries and scored one touchdown to lead the Gamecock running game, while Kaden Cupp rushed for 40 yards and one td on 18 carries and completed 8 of 15 passes for 63 yards, with Colton Marsh pulling in one catch for 20 yards and Brandon Johnson catching three passes for 14 yards.

Avery Weed had 7 tackles to lead the Gamecock defense, while Andrew Cashin added 6 stops, including two sacks and a tackle for a safety. Tre Boland and Julian Noble both added 5 tackles and Colton Marsh had 4 stops and an interception.



New Brockton Gamecock Damarian Holt (4) goes up between two Opp defenders to pull in a catch in last week's season opener in Opp. The Gamecocks host Daleville Friday night at Bates Memorial Stadium, in Enterprise.

Kinston ranked 8th in weekly state volleyball standings

The Alabama Sports Writers Association has released its weekly high school volleyball rankings and ranked #8 in Class 1A are the Kinston Lady Bulldogs.

Sitting atop the poll in the various classes were (7A) 1-Hoover, 2-McGill-Toolen, 3-Spain Park; (6A) 1-Hazel Green, 2-Mt. Brook, 3-Hartselle; (5A) 1-Bayside

Academy, 2-Providence Christian, 3-Alexandria; (4A) 1-Montgomery Academy, 2-Deshler, 3-Curry; (3A) 1-St. Luke's, Danville, 3-Geraldine, 10-Houston Academy; (2A) 1-Addison, 2-G.W. Long, 3-Lexington; (1A) 1-Donoho, 2-Lindsey Lane, 3-Meek, 4-Pleasant Home, 8-Kinston.

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PREP VOLLEYBALL ROUNDUP

Lady Tigers swept by Zion Chapel

The Elba Lady Tigers jumped into area play last week and dropped a 17-25, 21-25, 9-25 decision to Zion Chapel. Jasmine Magwood had 2 aces and 1 kill to lead the Lady Tigers, while Danaejah Flowers added 2 aces and 2 blocks, Mikenzy Hooks added 1 ace and 2 kills, Andrya Chism added 1 kill and 2 blocks, Terri Brannon added 1 kill, Callie Pope and Victori Edwards both added 2 digs, Emily Richardson added 1 kill and Sha'Vaughanie Smith added 1 dig. The Elba JV upped their record to 3-0 with a 23-25, 25-15, 15-11 win.

New Brockton falls to Geneva

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks dropped a 25-14, 25-7, 25-13 decision to Geneva. Madison Johnson had 9 aces, 5 kills, 16 assists and 3 digs to lead the Lady Panthers, while RayAnna Ausley added 2 aces, 6 assists and 4 digs.

Lady Gamecocks fall to Arton

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks suffered a 25-13, 25-12, 25-15 loss to Arton. Caroline Hughes had 34 assists to lead the Lady Cats, while Sarah Snyder added 11 kills.

Lady Rebels ripped by Arton

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels dropped a 25-15, 25-10, 25-17 loss to Arton. Caroline Hughes had 31 assist to lead the Lady Cats, while Zhee Oliver added 10 kills and 2 blocks. Arton also won the JV match 25-15, 25-7 and completed the sweep with a win in the junior high match 25-13, 25-14.

Kinston sweeps past New Brockton

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs rolled to a 25-12, 25-21, 25-17 win over the New Brockton Lady Gamecocks. Blair Wyrosdick had 22 assists to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Faith Peters added 13 kills and 5 blocks. Kinston won the JV match 25-16, 25-11 as Danielle Cain had 5 kills and 3 assists, and Rachel Hall added 5 kills. Kinston won the junior high match 25-17, 25-20 as Lilli Sumblin had 2 assists.

Lady Tigers fall to G.W. Long

The Elba Lady Tigers dropped a 25-11, 25-3, 25-8 area match to G.W. Long. Andrya Chism had 1 kill and 2 blocks to lead the Lady Tigers, while Jasmine Magwood added 2 digs, Danaejah Flowers added 1 block, Nevaeh Sanders added 2 aces and 1 dig, and Sha'Vaughanie Smith added 3 digs. Breanna Henning had 9 kills, 7 aces and 2 digs to lead the Lady Rebels, while Emma Claire Long added 7 kills, 2 aces and 3 digs.

Lady Bulldogs fall to Opp

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs had a rough day at the net as they lost to Opp 14-25, 25-27, 25-16, 12-25. Faith Peters had 11 blocks to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Addison Musgrove had 34 passes and Blair Wyrosdick added 34 passes and 22 sets. The Kinston JV dropped a 12-25, 13-25 decision to Opp, despite Madsion Lolley having 2 hits, 6 serves and 16 passes. The Kinston Junior team also lost to Opp 23-25, 25-27, despite Lilli Sumblin having a big game with 19 passes and 1 set, and Chloe Phillips with 11 serves.

SPORTS NEWS



Brantley Bulldog Daquan Pittman (5) tries to turn the corner as Kinston Bulldog Jace Reeves (19) closes in for the stop.



Brantley Bulldog Tucker Kilcrease (12) looks for a receiver as Kinston Bulldog John Free (55) keeps the Bulldog quarterback in the pocket.

Brantley klobbers Kinston 55-0

By Linda Hodge, Editor
Photos by Cody Nichols

The Kinston Bulldogs and the Brantley Bulldogs met last Friday night, Sept. 4, for a dog fight in Kinston as the two teams opened Class 1A region play. Both teams were coming off big wins the week prior.

The Bulldogs from Brantley received the opening kickoff of the game, and a 45-yard touchdown pass to Kenuwyn Dixon (#1) resulted in the first points of the game. The extra point try was good, and with 9:20 left in the first, Brantley led 7-0.

Kinston had a quick three and out on its first offensive series and punted back to Brantley with 7:04 left in the first quarter. Only 14 seconds expired from the clock following the punt as Brantley found paydirt once again on a touchdown pass to Daquan Pittman (#5). The extra point was good, and with

6:50 left in the first quarter, Brantley led 14-0.

The Kinston Bulldogs made got their first offensive first down of the night with 6:18 left in the first quarter; however, that led to another fourth down on the next set of downs, and Kinston once again sent the punt team onto the field.

The next Brantley possession again led to more points. This time the touchdown came in the form of a pass reception by Dixon (#1) from quarterback Tucker Kilcrease (#12). The extra point was good, and with 3:44 left in the first Brantley led 21-0.

On the ensuing kickoff, Kinston's Hunter Hughes (#14) returned the ball to the 25 yard line, but the hometown Bulldogs soon found themselves facing yet another fourth down. The Kinston punt to the Brantley 40 appeared to turn into a big play for Brantley as the

kick was returned to the Kinston 10 yard line; however, a flag negated the big run.

Brantley's Dixon soon found himself in the endzone again though as he took a handoff from the quarterback and raced for the long touchdown with 51 seconds left in the first quarter. The two-point try was no good, but the Brantley lead was extended to 27-0.

Kinston's fifth offensive series in the first quarter began with a nice kickoff return by Jeb Crosby (#1) to the Kinston 40 yard line. A five yard carry by Addison Hudson (#15) placed Kinston at the 45 yard line as the first quarter expired. The series stalled at the beginning of the second quarter when a third down play failed to gain any additional yards, and Kinston punted on fourth down.

Brantley's first offensive series of the second quarter proved to be less than stellar as three incomplete passes and a flag hindered offense's momentum. Brantley turned the ball over on downs this series to Kinston.

After taking over at the Brantley 45 yard line, Kinston's Hudson (#15) gained seven yards on a run for this team. An additional yard gained on third down had Kinston facing a fourth and two when Brantley was flagged for being offside. The automatic first down for Kinston due to the Brantley penalty did not turn into much more for Kinston as the series stalled, and Brantley took over on offense with 6:25 left in the second quarter.

Three pass completions for Brantley soon had the Bulldogs set up at the Kinston 12 yard line. Then, on a

quarterback keeper, Tucker Kilcrease raced 12 yards to score. The extra point try was good, and with 3:46 left in the second quarter Brantley led 33-0.

Brantley got the ball back quickly as a Kinston fumble on its second down play was recovered by the Brantley defense at the Kinston 40 yard line. With 1:51 left in the second quarter, Brantley extended its commanding lead on a touchdown pass to Pittman (#5). The extra point was good making the score 41-0, which would be the halftime score.

Brantley scored early in the third quarter to extend its lead. This time, the score came on a rush by Pittman (5). The extra point was good, making the score 48-0 in favor of Brantley.

On Kinston's ensuing offensive series of the second half, Konner Walker (#25) made a first down on a second and eight carry for his team. The Kinston offensive did make it into Brantley territory before turning the ball over on downs after being unable to make a fourth and short play.

Brantley scored the final points of the night on a handoff to Robert Shine (#7), and he raced in for a touchdown with 1:04 left in the third quarter. The extra point was good, and the Brantley led extended to 55-0.

The win put the Bulldogs at 2-0 on the season and 1-0 in region play. The Brantley defense has yet to let an opposing offense score on them this season shutting out rival Luverne 49-0 and Kinston 55-0.

As for Kinston, the Bulldogs are now 1-2 on the season and 0-1 in region play.



Brantley Bulldog Jontae Billips (52) helps bring down Kinston Bulldog running back Addison Hudson (15) for a short gain.

Zion Chapel Rebels stung by Yellowjackets 38-0

Story and photos by
Linda Hodge, Editor

The Zion Chapel Rebels played host Friday night, Sept. 4, to a swarm of yellowjackets from Abbeville, and the Rebels quickly discovered their visitors came with a sting.

The Rebels received the opening kickoff at Bates-Memorial Stadium in Enterprise, which is home for the Rebels this 2020 football season. After starting first and ten from the 25-yard line, the Rebels lost yardage on their first two offensive plays and failed to convert a long third down forcing an early punt to Abbeville.

A long punt return for the Yellowjackets set them up deep in Rebel territory, and on a third down play Abbeville put the first points on the scoreboard with a 5-yard touchdown dash. The extra point attempt was good, and with 9:07 left in the first quarter Abbeville was up 7-0.

Another three and out for the Rebels forced Zion Chapel's second punt of the night. Abbeville went to work again near midfield at the 48-yardline. It took only one play from the line for the Yellowjackets to score again as Martavious Glanton (#11) scampered 52-yards for a TD. The extra point try failed, but with 7:22 remaining in the first quarter, Abbeville extended its lead to 13-0.

On the ensuing kickoff, the Rebels returned the ball to their 36-yardline. Unfortunately, a couple of negative yardage running plays and an incomplete pass at-

tempt forced the Rebels to punt yet again on fourth down.

One play later, Abbeville's Glanton raced another 48 yards to score his second touchdown of the night. The extra point try was good, and with 5:31 left in the first Abbeville led 20-0.

Things only got worse for the Rebels from there as the ensuing kickoff was fumbled, and Abbeville recovered the ball at the Zion Chapel 34 yardline. One play later, Martavious Glanton was off to the races again, and he scored touchdown number three on the night. The extra point try was no good, but the Yellowjackets lead extended to 26-0 with 5:18 still left in the first quarter.

Zion Chapel's offense went to work again following the Abbeville kickoff. This time, the Rebels began their offensive series at the Rebel 26 yardline. The Rebels made a couple of positive yard plays and were facing a third and eight before quarterback Whit Wilkerson (#6) was caught by the Yellowjackets defense for a three yard loss. A fourth and 11 brought the Rebels punt team back out onto the field for the fourth punt in the first quarter of action.

The Yellow Jackets went to work this time from the Zion Chapel 49 yard line and scored from the 49 on a first and ten play. The extra point attempt was no good, but the Abbeville lead was now 32-0 with 2:46 left in the first quarter.

The first quarter came to an end after the Rebels failed to gain in yards on its next



Zion Chapel Rebel Mason Stuart (11) breaks up a pass in last week's region opener against Abbeville.

offensive series and was forced to punt on a fourth and twelve play. As the second quarter began, the game clock was set for 8 minutes instead of the normal 12. No additional scoring occurred in the second quarter.

When the two teams returned to the field after halftime, six-minute quarters were agreed upon by the teams. The remainder of the game passed fairly quickly, but Abbeville did add to its final score with 35 seconds left in the game as #21 Clarence Brown rushed for the final TD of the night. The extra point try was no good.

The final score was Abbeville 38 and Zion Chapel 0.

Zion Chapel senior Brockston Bragg was the workhorse for the Rebels in the game from his running back spot, although a stingy Yellow Jackets defense made it hard to gain many yards. Bragg also was forced to step into the quarterback role for his team late in the first half as starting quarterback Whit Wilkerson (#6) was sidelined with what appeared to be a leg injury.

The Rebels fell to 0-2 on the season and 0-1 in region play after the loss to Abbeville last Friday night.



Drum Major Stetson Adcock and the award winning Zion Chapel Marching Band performed last week at halftime of the Rebels' region clash against Abbeville and wowed the large crowd on hand.